

B.4	<p>Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals. Provide a statement of the PHA's goals, activities objectives, policies, or programs that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.</p> <p>Refer to Exhibit 1</p>
C.	<p>Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.</p>
C.1	<p>Significant Amendment or Modification. Provide a statement on the criteria used for determining a significant amendment or modification to the 5-Year Plan.</p> <p>The following actions will be considered a Significant Amendment or Modification to the Five-Year Plan and Annual Plan: • A change which would significantly affect rent or admission policies or organization of PHCD's waiting list. • Significant addition of non-emergency work items not included in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement(s). • An exception to this definition will be made for any new activities that are adopted to reflect changes in HUD regulatory requirements or as a result of a declared emergency (such changes will not be considered significant amendments or modification by PHCD). • Any proposed demolition, disposition, homeownership, Capital Fund financing, development, or mixed- finance projects not identified in the plan.</p>
C.2	<p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the 5-Year PHA Plan? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the 5-Year PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.</p>
C.3	<p>Certification by State or Local Officials.</p> <p>Form HUD-50077-SL, <i>Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p>
C.4	<p>Required Submission for HUD FO Review.</p> <p>(a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, include Challenged Elements.</p>
D.	<p>Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).</p>
D.1	<p>Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. (Non-qualified PHAs are only required to complete this section on the Annual PHA Plan. All qualified PHAs must complete this section.)</p> <p>Provide a statement of the PHA's strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals as necessary to overcome fair housing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete this chart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for further detail on completing this item.</p>

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Part 1 – Applicable to the Public Housing Program
Section B – 5-Year PHA Plan Elements

Section B.2- Goals and Objectives

I. Increase the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.

A. Expand the supply of assisted housing.

1. Leverage private or other public funds and/or generate revenue to create additional housing opportunities.

a) Apply for funding, grants and other similar funding opportunities that may become available to refurbish and/or create additional housing and related work.

a)b) HCD maximizes the impact of limited federal housing resources for our community. To achieve this, we utilize HUD's Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system as a critical tool for ensuring program integrity and administrative accuracy. This includes verification of each household member through the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV systems) for debts owed to other housing authorities and for double subsidy.

b)c) Pursue revenue-generating opportunities for Public Housing, such as cell phone antenna towers on public housing properties, sharing of developer fee revenues from redevelopment activities or other revenue generating opportunities that may present themselves.

d) Leverage new approaches and resources that provide greater access to quality affordable housing opportunities and choices throughout Miami-Dade County.

e) Strategically plan the implementation of Restore-Rebuild (utilizing HUD's Faircloth-to-RAD) to increase the availability of affordable housing.

f) To expand the supply of assisted housing, Miami-Dade County is actively enhancing its capacity to develop, acquire, and preserve affordable units by establishing a County-controlled 501(c)(3) not-for-profit entity, the Miami-Dade Attainable Housing Corporation, Inc.. While the County has historically relied on private-sector partnerships and programs like the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) to redevelop its aging public housing stock, this new corporation and its affiliated subsidiaries will allow the County to take a more direct, cost-effective role in the construction, rehabilitation, and management of multifamily and single-family residential projects.

2. Acquire or build units or developments.

a) HCD ~~reserves~~ intends the right to issue Request for Proposals (RFP's), Request for Qualifications (RFQ's), Request for Applications (RFA's) and other similar solicitation documents as needed to achieve stated plans and objectives.

b) HCD ~~reserves~~ intends the right to submit demolition and/or disposition applications for any development site in our portfolio subject to the Board of County Commissioners and HUD's approval.

c) HCD ~~reserves~~ intends the right to explore and access all available programs and funding sources that allow HCD to continue its mission of providing and possibly expanding affordable housing opportunities.

d) HCD intends to pursue all present and future HUD opportunities, as needed, that are or will become part of the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program.

e) HCD intends to utilize County-owned Public Housing land for the purpose of developing affordable workforce housing for low-income families and homeownership opportunities.

~~e) _____~~

~~HCD intends to pursue all present and future HUD opportunities, as needed, that are or will become part of the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program. The Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program was designed by HUD to assist in addressing the capital needs of public housing by providing HCD with access to private sources of capital to redevelop its affordable housing assets.~~

B. Improve the quality of assisted housing.

1. Improve Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) Score

- a) Continue improving its Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) score with emphasis on management (MASS) and physical inspections (PASS) sub-indicators.
- b) Continue the applicability of EIV's Income Information and Verification Reports (i.e., Multiple Subsidy Report, Identity Verification Report, Immigration Report, and Income Validation Tool Report) to reduce errors and waste.
- c) Increase customer satisfaction.
 - (1) Provide improved communication with management and referral services to residents.

2. Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions.

- a) Deliver quality customer service to public housing residents.
- b) Deliver quality maintenance services to public housing units.
- c) Implement preventive maintenance efforts.
- d) Review options to ensure economic viability of the Helen Sawyer Plaza Assisted Living Facility.
- e) Implement a training program for staff to improve knowledge of policies, procedures, and cultural competency skills.

3. Renovate or modernize public housing units.

a) To renovate or modernize its public housing units, HCD will pursue all available federally assisted housing opportunities, and seek private and other public resources this includes the option for Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) and other HUD programs. HCD will explore and evaluate other options and programs that may assist in this effort including the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program.

b) HCD will participate in any of the following initiatives or funding opportunities if they help meet HCD's goals and mission:

- Choice Neighborhoods Initiative Funding (CNI)
- RAD
- Section 18/RAD Blends
- Restore-Rebuild (formerly known as Faircloth-to-RAD)

c) HCD will participate in such initiatives if they meet most of the following criteria:

- Provide one-for-one replacement.

- Represent no significant negative impact to resident/participant.
- Increase and/or preserve affordable housing stock.

HCD will conduct outreach meetings with the community prior to participation or submission of any application for any program that meets most of the criteria outlined above.

Implement Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan, in accordance with available funding. Through the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD), HCD's Capital Fund Budget will be reduced by the pro rata share of Public Housing Units converted as part of the RAD.

- c) May consider implementing a force account (in-house) laborers on either a permanent or temporary basis to perform construction work for capital fund projects.
- d) Utilize contractors for projects presented in the 5-Year Action Plan.
- a)e) Continue utilizing the Construction Services Contract, Miscellaneous Construction Contracts (MCC) 7360, (includes the Work Order Contract) as necessary, for miscellaneous work and vacant unit repairs.
- f) Due to utility modernization, building master meters, which are currently paid by Public Housing, may be replaced by individualized meters where the utility costs may become the responsibility of the resident.
- g) Incorporate Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) practices during the design phases of new development projects in consultation with police departments.
- h) May utilize funds from the Capital Funds Financing Program (CFFP) upon approval.
- i) May apply for available hazard mitigation funds to replace or install generators and shutters in public housing developments.
- b)j) Review and revise, as needed, the strategy for rehabilitation and redevelopment of public housing inventory over the next 10 years.
- ~~c) HCD may modernize, renovate and/or redevelop public housing developments through the use of the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program and Section 18 Disposition/RAD blending option, Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and any other available funding sources.~~

C. Increase assisted housing choices.

1. Applicants and current families will be advised of housing opportunities.
2. May elect to dissolve or, if more practical, purge the waiting lists periodically or as needed.
3. Reduce public housing vacancies.
 - a) Once the elderly population on the waiting list is exhausted, Public Housing may select "near elderly" for admission into "elderly" designated public housing units.

~~a)b) Continue accepting 50 direct referrals from the designated Continuum of Care (CoC) Lead Agency. the implementation of a pilot program for persons experiencing homelessness by collaborating with the Miami Dade Homeless Trust.~~

b)c) May consider adding preferences to its admission policy to better assist elderly, special needs families, and/or eligible applicants.

II. Improve community quality of life and economic vitality.

- A. Continue implementing public housing security improvements such as fencing, lighting, upgrading, or installing cameras subject to funding availability.
- B. Waterproofing and painting of public housing developments subject to funding availability.
- C. Continue meetings with resident councils to provide training on various aspects of resident organization and empowerment.
- D. May apply for grants and other funding sources to provide additional services for public housing programs.
- E. May modernize and/or redevelop public housing developments through the use of the RAD program and/or any other available tool.
- F. May request extension of grant obligations and expenditure deadlines as it may deem necessary.
- G. Continue implementing public housing security improvements.

III. Promote partnerships with job training and placement organizations.

- A. Increase the number of employed persons in assisted families.
 - 1. Monitor contractors and subcontractors for compliance with Section 3 training and employment goals.
 - 2. The Section 3 function will continue offering opportunities for employment and training programs.
 - 3. Seek new partnerships with both public and private entities to enhance social and economic services to residents.
 - 4. Increase resident participation requirements for social service providers operating at public housing sites.
 - 5. May continue to apply for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Grant to assist families in public housing.
 - 6. Identify supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.
 - ~~7. Continue providing Earned Income Disallowance (EID) to qualified families through December 31, 2025 (PIH Notice 2023-27).~~
 - ~~8-7.~~ Continue incorporating specific Section 3 job requirements in public housing rehabilitation solicitations.

IV. Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans.

A. Continue implementing Section 504, Americans with Disability Act (ADA), the Fair Housing Act, and the Voluntary Compliance Agreement (VCA) that will result in 459 Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) units.

B. ~~Continue to implement the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) policy. HCD is limited on the application of HUD funds pursuant to Notice PIH 2026-06 which rescinds Notice PIH 2024-04 that allowed the usage of HUD funds. HCD will continue to provide services under its Limited English Proficiency (LEP) policy in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Pursuant to Notice PIH 2026-06, which rescinds the administrative guidance of Notice PIH 2024-04, HCD has adjusted its funding strategy to ensure LEP costs are allocated strictly within the administrative caps of the Public Housing program.~~

C. Remain committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing to ensure equal opportunity regardless of race, national origin, ethnic origin, color, sex, religion, or other protected characteristics. ~~age, disability, familial status, marital status, ancestry, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy or source of income.~~

Section B.3- Progress Report

I. Increased the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.

- A. Expanded the supply of assisted housing.
1. Leveraged private or other public funds and/or generated revenue to create additional housing opportunities.
 - a) Increased collection of outstanding debt from prior participants due to the information entered in Debts Owed to PHAs.
 - b) Avoided double subsidy cases by identifying applicants receiving housing assistance during initial screening.
 - c) Increased the availability of units by terminating housing assistance to single households listed on the Deceased Tenants Report.
 2. Acquired, built, or rehabilitated units. (see detailed list in the Annual Plan's Progress Report).
 3. Miami-Dade County continues to advance major housing and community revitalization initiatives through multiple awards received under HUD's Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI). These awards support redevelopment of distressed assisted housing, expansion of mixed-income communities, and delivery of comprehensive supportive services for residents. They also reinforce the County's commitment to preserving the cultural and historical identity of long-standing neighborhoods while promoting economic opportunity.
 - In July 2023, Miami-Dade County was awarded a \$40 million CNI Implementation Grant to redevelop the Cutler Manor assisted housing site in the Goulds community.
 - In July 2024, Miami-Dade County and the City of Miami jointly received approximately \$40 million in FY2023/24 CNI Implementation Grant funding for the redevelopment of the Culmer Place and Culmer Gardens public housing developments in Overtown.
 - In September 2024, Miami-Dade County received a \$500,000 FY2024 CNI Planning Grant focused on the Annie Coleman 16 public housing site and the surrounding Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Station area.
- B. Improved quality of assisted housing
1. Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) Score
 - a) ~~Pursuant to PIH Notice 2021-14, HUD waived PHAS scores due to the COVID-19 pandemic through December 31, 2021. As a result, PHCD did not receive a rating under PHAS for fiscal years ending September 31, 2018, through September 31, 2021. HCD's last rating was as a Standard Performer (scored 78 points) under PHAS. HCD's rating under PHAS is pending as of fiscal year end September 30, 2022.~~
 - b) HCD cContinuesd to routinely write-off bad debt balances and to identify fraud related accounts receivables.
 2. Increased customer satisfaction
 - a) Established a risk assessment of safety and security needs.

- b) ~~Provided cameras, technological improvements, and additional police presence at Liberty Square to reduce or prevent crime in the area.~~
- c) Implemented measures to reduce or prevent crime for public housing projects as detailed below:
 - (1) Restored Cameras to Good State of Repairs
 - Edison Plaza
 - Goulds Plaza
 - Gwen Cherry 22
 - ~~Newberg~~
 - [Wynwood Elderly](#)
 - (2) Restored Cameras to Good State of Repairs and ~~Safety Enforcement~~[Improved Police Presence](#)
 - Arthur Mays Village
 - ~~Claude Pepper~~
 - Gwen Cherry 14
 - Liberty Square
 - Naranja
 - Phyllis Wheatley
 - Ward Towers 1 and 2

~~3. Increased assisted housing choices.~~

~~To address the risk of homelessness, HCD entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Miami Dade County Homeless Trust for referrals of homeless persons transitioning out of a shelter, transitional housing program, rapid re-housing program, or permanent supportive housing. The program has a total of 50 units for homeless individuals.~~

~~4.3. Concentrated on efforts to improve specific management functions.~~

- a) On September 16, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution No. R-772-15, to implement ~~the energy~~[energy](#) conservation measures at various public housing sites.

C. Increased assisted housing choices.

- 1. Continued processing applications received during the 2014 open registration periods.
- 2. Reduced public housing vacancies by ~~streamlining the screening process and reducing unit turnaround time,~~ [establishing a ready pool of program eligible applicants and pre-leasing units.](#)

D. Improved community quality of life and economic vitality

- 1. Implemented a policy to address over-income families in the Public Housing Program.
- 2. Adopted a smoke-free policy pursuant to HUD regulations 24 CFR Parts 965 and 966, and Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners Resolution Nos. R-1003-15 and R-582-16.

3. Increased the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.
 - a) Expanded the supply of assisted housing by identifying dilapidated developments for renovation.
- E. Promoted partnerships with job training and placement organizations.
 1. Promoted Section 3 employment and contracting opportunities by monitoring contractors by including specific Section 3 requirements in solicitations.
- F. Ensured Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans.
 1. Entered a contract for oral and written translations.
 2. Increased Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) units.
 3. An amendment issued by HUD extended the duration of the Voluntary Compliance Agreement (VCA) until January 21, 2019, and requires Public Housing to convert 459 units.
 4. Continued to implement the VCA requirement to make its offices and public housing units within the HCD portfolio accessible, countywide.
 5. Continued to provide reasonable accommodations for housing programs and services to persons with disabilities.
 6. Collected data from the current waiting lists via post-application questionnaire to gauge clients' disability-related needs.

7.6.

G. Operational Improvements and Compliance

1. Strengthened NSPIRE (National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate) inspection preparation across Public Housing sites. HUD's NSPIRE inspection standards, designed to improve housing quality oversight, were implemented for Public Housing inspections beginning July 1, 2023, and all relevant Public Housing staff have been trained on the new standards and inspection protocols.

4.2. Implemented self-inspection protocols consistent with HUD standards.

II. Apprenticeship Program and Workforce Development

1. Launched a paid apprenticeship program in partnership with Atlantic Pacific Companies and Community Builders, targeting Perrine-area residents.

a) Provides hands-on training in construction and project management roles, including Construction Coordinator duties, with progressive wage increases over 12–14 months.

a)b) Program participants gain experience on projects such as Perrine Apartments II and Heritage Village South, building long-term careers and supporting local workforce development.

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Part 2 – Applicable to the Housing Choice Voucher Program
Section B – 5-Year PHA Plan Elements

Section B.2- Goals and Objectives

- I. **Increase the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.**
- A. Expand the supply of assisted housing.
1. Leverage private or other public funds and/or generate revenue to create additional housing opportunities.
 - a) Apply for funding, grants and other similar funding opportunities that may become available to refurbish and/or create additional housing and related work.
 - b) HCD maximizes the impact of limited federal housing resources for our community. To achieve this, we utilize HUD's Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system as a critical tool for ensuring program integrity and administrative accuracy. This includes verification of each household member through the EIV systems for debts owed to other housing authorities and for double subsidy and monitoring the Deceased Tenants Report available in EIV.
 - ~~b) Verify information of each household member through the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) for debts owed to other housing authorities and for double subsidy.~~
 - ~~c) Monitor the Deceased Tenants Report available in EIV.~~
- B. Improve the quality of assisted housing.
1. Improve Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Score
 - a) Maintain High Performer status under Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP).
 - b) Continue the applicability of EIV's Income Information and Verification Reports (i.e., Multiple Subsidy Report, Identity Verification Report, Immigration Report, EIV-SAVE Tenant Matching Report, and Income Validation Tool Report) to reduce errors and waste.
 - ~~b) Continue the applicability of EIV's Income Information and Verification Reports (i.e., Multiple Subsidy Report, Identity Verification Report, Immigration Report, and Income Validation Tool Report).~~
 2. Increase customer satisfaction.
 - a) Provide improved communication with management.
 - b) Section 8 will continue to receive and assess customer surveys to improve communication.
- C. Increase assisted housing choices.
1. Applicants and current participants will be advised of housing opportunities.
 2. May elect to dissolve the waiting lists periodically or as needed.
 3. Increase voucher usage.
 - a) May consider adding preferences to its admission policy to better assist elderly, special needs families, project-based vouchers, and eligible applicants.
 - b) As needed may provide vouchers for development purposes including relocation and site basing.
 4. Provide outreach to increase landlord participation.

- D. Improve community quality of life and economic vitality.
 - 1. May apply for grants and other funding sources to provide additional services for assisted housing programs.
 - 2. May request extension of grant obligations and expenditure deadlines as it may deem necessary.
 - 3. Encourage a smoke-free policy pursuant to Miami-Dade County Commissioners Resolution Nos. R-1003- 15 and R-582-16.
- E. Promote partnerships with job training and placement organizations.
 - 1. Increase the number of employed people in assisted families.
- F. Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans.
 - 1. Continue to implement the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) policy. HCD will continue to provide services under its Limited English Proficiency (LEP) policy in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Pursuant to Notice PIH 2026-06, which rescinds the administrative guidance of Notice PIH 2024-04, HCD has adjusted its funding strategy to ensure LEP costs are allocated strictly within the administrative caps of the Housing and Housing Choice Voucher program.
 - 2. Continue with affirmatively furthering fair housing to ensure equal opportunity regardless of race, national origin, ethnic origin, color, sex, religion, or other protected classes. age, disability, familial status, marital status, ancestry, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy or source of income.

Section B.3- Progress Report

- I. Increased the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.
 - A. Expanded the supply of assisted housing.
 - 1. Leverage private or other public funds and/or generate revenue to create additional housing opportunities.
 - a) Increased collection of outstanding debt from prior participants due to the information entered in Debts Owed to PHAs.
 - b) Avoided double subsidy cases by identifying applicants receiving housing assistance during initial screening.
 - c) Increased availability by terminating housing assistance to single households listed on the Deceased Tenants Report.
 - B. Improved quality of assisted housing
 - 1. Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Score
 - a) Under SEMAP, HCD earned the rating of a High Performer (scored 90 percent) for fiscal year ended September 30, 20225.
 - b) Increased customer satisfaction.
 - C. Increased assisted housing choices.
 - 1. HCD continues processing applications received during the open registration period of 2024 for the Housing Choice Voucher program and implemented a site-based waiting list in 2025 for the Project-Based Voucher program. exhausted the 2021 tenant-based waiting list by December 31, 2023, therefore, conducted an opened registration period from February 5, 2024, through February 19, 2024, for the Section 8 Housing Choice

~~Voucher Program and plans to begin the selection process in May 2024 at the latest.~~

2. Continued processing applications received during the open registration period of 2014 for the Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Programs.
 3. Increased voucher implementation by streamlining the screening process and reducing voucher issuance time.
- D. Improved community quality of life and economic vitality
1. Increased the availability of affordable housing that reflects HUD and local requirements.
 2. Expanded economic opportunities for low-income families.
- E. Ensured Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans.
1. Entered a contract for oral and written translations.
 2. Continued to provide reasonable accommodations for housing programs and services to persons with disabilities.

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Section B.5 – Project- Based Activities.

In accordance with 24 CFR 983.51(c), HCD hereby affirmatively expresses its intent that HCD may select one or more projects without competition to improve, develop, or replace a public housing property where the County has an ownership interest or over which the County has control without following a competitive process.

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Part 3 – Applicable to the Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Programs

SECTION B.4 – Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals.

I. Policy

- A. HCD adheres to the federal Violence Against Women Act (“VAWA”) by providing protections to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (VAWA victims). In accordance with VAWA and PIH Notice 2017- 08, HCD (i) notifies public housing tenants and Section 8 participants of their rights under VAWA; (ii) protects eligible tenants and authorized household members from eviction or termination of Section 8 assistance based on their status as a VAWA victim; (iii) may terminate public housing tenancy or occupancy rights or Section 8 assistance to an abuser while protecting the rights of the VAWA victim and other authorized household members; (iv) protects eligible applicants from being denied admission based on their status as VAWA victims; (v) affords eligible VAWA victims a transfer under its Public Housing and Section 8 emergency transfer plans; and (vi) links tenants to resources and alternative housing options.
- B. Public Housing Program
 1. Chapter XIV: Violence Against Women Act (ACOP)
 2. Dwelling Lease Addendum #2 (Public Housing Tenant Lease Agreement)
- C. Section 8 Programs
 1. Chapter 2.4 (F): Violence Against Women Act (Section 8 Administrative Plan)
 2. Attachment D: Emergency Transfer Plan for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking for Section 8 Programs (Section 8 Administrative Plan)

II. Assistance for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking

- A. HCD shall refer victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking to the State of Florida Office of the Attorney General, Miami-Dade County’s State Attorney’s Office or the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to apply for participation in the Address Confidentiality Program for Victims of Domestic Violence.
- B. HCD may collaborate with appropriate counseling and law enforcement entities to assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, including but not limited to the following services and programs for domestic violence victims:
 1. Certified Domestic Violence Centers:
 - a) Safespace Shelter: (305) 758-2804
 - b) The Lodge: (305) 693-1170
 2. Domestic Violence One Stop Center:
 - a) Coordinated Victims Assistance Center (CVAC): (305) 285-5900

III. VAWA Goals:

Objective: Assist residents who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking to obtain an expedited confidential transfer and to enhance their safety.

A. Approved VAWA Cases

Between October 1, 2023, -and January 1, 2026, HCD [approved 31-38 cases that were approved for transfer under the Public Housing Program](#) and [54247 cases that were approved for transfer under the HCV Program](#).

IV. Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners

As approved by a Board of County Commissioners' Resolution No. R-595-12 signs were posted in the public restrooms of buildings owned or operated by Miami-Dade County. These signs provide contact information and assistance for domestic violence victims.

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